

lent 2009

February 25 Ash Wednesday
Holy communion service with
imposition of ashes
12:00 Noon and 7:00pm

five steps to a faith that works

Wednesdays *Worship at 7:00 with
Holden Evening Prayer*

March 4 Asking the Right Questions
March 11 Deepening Your Faith
March 18 Jesus and Faith
March 25 Faith in Action
April 1 Sharing Faith

April 5 Palm Sunday - the Sunday of
the Passion

April 8 Maundy Thursday
12:00 Noon and 7:00pm

April 9 Good Friday
12:00 Noon and 7:00pm



5TH ANNUAL SPRING ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 7
10:00am to 4:00pm

More than fifty artisans and crafters will show at Zion's 5th Annual Spring Arts Festival on Saturday, March 7. This event brings together not only Zion members, but many people throughout the community. With your support, this event will be more successful than ever.

Everyone is invited to come shop at the show on March 7. Items include clothing, rustic furniture, home decor, jewelry, toys, baby items, purses and bags, stationery, fine art, stained glass and more. The snack bar will be open to sustain you for both breakfast and lunch.

The 2009 Arts & Crafts Show is a fundraiser for our high school students attending the National ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. Youth will provide assistance to vendors and customers.

For more information, contact Travis Baker at 688-3090 x 206 or tbaker@zionhelotes.org.

BAKERS AND BUYERS NEEDED

*Support Honduras Mission Team
Sunday, March 22*

On Sunday, March 22 the Mission Team will hold a bake sale to raise funds for the trip to Honduras this summer. Donations of cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, or whatever is your specialty, are needed to sell after each service. Sign up in the narthex to bring your baked goods so we know to expect you on Saturday or Sunday. Proceeds from the sale will go to support the traveling expenses of group members, and to purchase supplies for the trip.

Bring donations to the Family Life Center kitchen by noon on Saturday morning, March 21 or on Sunday morning, March 22, as early as possible.

Dessert lovers are invited to purchase goodies for your Sunday afternoon snack.

The Mission Team will travel to the tiny village of Yamaranguilla, in Intubica, Honduras. The team will work for a week, ministering to the girls' home known as Talitha Cumi, or "Rise up, little girl." These are the words Christ spoke to the dying daughter of Jairus as He restored her to health.

According to the web page for Such Is The Kingdom Ministries (www.sikm.org),

"Many of our girls have had horrible circumstances and felt they would never recover, but the Lord has raised them up and has commanded us to give them the bread of life. We currently have 20 girls staying on the farm in three girls' homes. Our desire is to build up a generation of well-educated Christian girls that will change Honduras for the Lord."



The Mission Team looks forward to ministering in Honduras. You, too, can be part of our team by supporting our bake sale with your donations and/or your purchases. When you contribute to our missionary's outreach in this way, you are participating in reaching those who will be touched by the love of God!

MEET THE MISSION TEAM

by Marlena Guerra

Our family has been part of Zion for over fifteen years. Milton and I joined just before our first child was born. Reyna is now 15, followed by Cassie, 13 and Joshua, 11.

From the first time she heard about it, Reyna was excited about the Honduras mission trip. Her enthusiasm got the whole family thinking about it, talking about it and praying about it. I attended an information meeting, and felt a real tug at my own heart. I knew that Pastor Jen wanted to take multiple generations, but the size of the team was limited. With a family of five, we decided to narrow down which of us really felt called to go. Again, the whole family talked and prayed about it, and the focus narrowed down to me and the two girls. After more prayer and consideration, Reyna decided that God was pointing her in a different direction, while Cassie and I felt we were being directed to go to Honduras.

Cassie and I are very excited to be a part of this team going to a Honduran orphanage. This will be a life-transforming experience for us both. For me, it will be great to share this experience with my daughter. I know that God has great things in store for us.

CROP WALK FOR HUNGER

Sunday, March 1 in Mission County Park. Registration starts at 2:00pm; the walk begins at 2:30.

You can join Zion's walking team, or sponsor a walker for 5k or 10k. Come by the CROP Walk table after worship, or ask Denise Greco or Donn Carmichael.

Proceeds benefit

- SA Food Bank
 - CAM: Christian Assistance Ministry
 - SA Community of Congregations' Infant Formula Program
- plus hunger projects around the world.

SPRING BREAK CAMP AT ZION

March 9-13

San Antonio Family Endeavors, a United Way Agency, will hold Spring Break Camp on campus at Zion. Daily hours are 7:00am to 6:00pm, with projects, outdoor activities, games, and two field trips during the week. All staff and activities are managed by S.A.F.E.

Camp fees are \$40 per day, or \$110 for the entire 5-day week. Children must be at least five years, have kindergarten experience and be supported in a group-oriented program.

Contact S.A.F.E. at 431-6466 or www.safamilyendeavors.org.



The Zion Zippers meet on the 2nd Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. All who are 50 years or older (and their

significant others) are invited to join and participate in the activities. A potluck supper is shared at 6:30pm, followed by a business meeting and program.

March hosts will be Marj & Ed Friebel, Lillie Wells and Lucille Pinson. We will enjoy a visit from Pastor & Mrs. Don Addicks who will tell us about Lutheran Social Services. Pastor Addicks was our interim pastor several years ago, so we will enjoy seeing him and his wife again. Y'all come and bring your vittles to share!

February Meeting Review

by Dorothy Rode

When you want to have a good-tasting home-cooked meal on the 2nd Monday of each month, where do you go? Why Zippers, of course! And that's just what was laid out - a feast for the eyes, nose and tummy. There was first a welcoming by Herman Roy, co-chair with Bev Rosel, and then a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance as we remember our great nation and its freedoms.

Pastor Dave was asked to lead the blessing of the meal, but he had an announcement that was of special interest - we have a new music director who will be on staff in a month or two! We are excited and overjoyed at this piece of news. Herman had a unique method of getting the "chow line" going, and everyone got their just desserts

(groan!). In keeping with the Valentine theme, two luck winners with the biggest heart at their place received a prize.

Hosts for February were Sue & Hank Molnar and Mae & Herman Roy. The program for this evening was Sandi & Ken Pohlmann's trip to London with 30 young chemistry students, via Powerpoint pictures and stories. They excited us with their experiences which included side trips to Germany, Italy and France.

HEALTH NOTES

by Rhonda Knisley

Advance Directives

An advance directive is a document which specifies health care instructions for you, and names a person to make medical decisions for you if you are unable to make them yourself. An advance directive should be written before a health crisis occurs. Talk with your family and physician about your advance directive. They may have suggestions you would like to include in your document.

An advance directive can be rescinded or changed at any time. You can begin to make your own health care decisions again when your condition allows. Give your family members and physician a copy of your advance directive. If you have a medical procedure or are hospitalized, give a copy to the registrar when you check in. Knowing your medical preferences prior to a crisis situation will be less stressful for your loved ones.

MUSIC REHEARSALS

Youth Choir (Middle & High School)

Sunday 4:30pm

Music Apse

Lindsey Ackels,

Handbells

Tuesday 6:30pm

Sanctuary Balcony (upstairs)

David Thamm 670-0643

Men's Choir

Tuesday 7:30pm

Sanctuary Choir Loft

David Thamm 670-0643

Adult Choir

Wednesday 7:00pm

Music Apse

David Thamm 670-0643

Brass Group

Wednesday 8:15pm

Sanctuary Choir Loft

David Thamm 670-0643

Children's Choir (Grades 2-5)

Thursday 5:30pm

Music Apse

Carrie Jasso 509-0423

Praise Team

Thursday 7:00pm

Sanctuary Choir Loft

Scott Lassiter 913-4331

Woodwinds

Rehearsals scheduled as needed.

Contact Elyse (below)

Elyse Hearn 520-4436

Zion Music Academy

Private instrument instruction in for children youth and adults. Beginner and intermediate lessons available to all members of the community, as well as Zion. Twenty-minute lessons are \$10 per session, and half-hour lessons are \$15. Contact the instructors below to schedule:

- Flute: Elyse Hearn
520-4436
- Guitar: Seth Greco
695-9683

CARDS & LETTERS

Dear Christian Friends:

Thank you for your prayers, calls, cards and concern during my recent surgery and recovery. Also, thanks to Pastor Jen for visit during my hospital stay and to Pastor Dave for bringing communion to my home.

I am slowly recovering and even slower resuming my activities.

Shirley Jonas

There are no words to tell all of my Zion family how very much I appreciate all your kindness in receiving your beautiful sympathy cards and condolences when I lost my sister, Joan, and then when her husband, Stanley, went to join her. They had a joint funeral for them so they went together. Since I was not able to be there, it eased my heart somewhat.

I am moved with all the get-well cards and calls that I have received. Thank you for the calls and visit of the pastors and concerns of the church staff. I feel really blessed and overwhelmed.

I truly love my church family, and look forward to seeing them soon. Hugs to all my church family.

Marjorie B. Friebel

The Little Church Mouse is Spreading the News that...

...Staten Holmes is representing the U.S. on March 1 at the Archery World Championship in Poland. **March 2009**



WOMEN OF ZION

by Barbara Galland & LaVonne Pederson

March Women's Bible Study

"Women of the Old Testament" meets on the third Thursday of every month at 10:30am. All women are invited to join us in Family Life Center Room 101 for the next study on March 19.

March Saturday Quilt Sewing for LWR

Meet on Saturday mornings* in the Fellowship Hall or FLC Room 101. If you've never put together a quilt, this is a way to learn. If your stitches are "12 to the inch" this is a way to share your skill with others. Lutheran World Relief collects tied quilts from congregations around the country. These are "rough and ready" quilts made quickly from large pieces. Quilts will be used for warmth, for room dividers, for hammocks, for shelter and more. Bring your own machine if you like.

* *Some weeks are in Family Life Center Room 101 at 10:00 - check the Zion calendar or call Barb Galland, 695-8497.*

Spring 2009 LWR Collection

Final Deadline is March 27

Each year, worldwide demand for Lutheran World Relief kits increases. These simple gifts of everyday items -from diaper pins to soap, from a homemade quilt to a spiral notebook- can make a big difference in the everyday life of a person in need.

Women of Zion collect items to for LWR, which distributes the kits where needed. Pick an item from the LWR tree in the narthex, use the list on the next page, or bring in a few bars of soap (an inexpensive essential). If you're assembling kits, please follow the wrapping instructions. To be fair to everyone, don't add extra items.

Getting the items shipped where needed costs money. Writing a check to LWR is quick and easy if



you're short on time. Bring checks to the display in the narthex or to the church office. On March 15, stop by the LWR display in the narthex to see what is needed and answer any questions you may have. The final deadline for your donations is Friday, March 27 at noon; items will be boxed up the next morning and sealed for shipping during the Global Mission event.

March 28 Women's Global Mission Event

Meet in the Family Life Center at 9:30am for coffee time, devotions, and a short film on LWR. Then we will assemble kits, make quilts and pack up the boxes ready for the LWR trucks. Lunch will be served. Women of all ages are encouraged to join us.

April 15 Load LWR Trucks at Zion

Lutheran churches from all over southwest Texas bring their quilts and LWR Kits to Zion. Boxes will need to be loaded into two semi-trucks that day - one day only.

Volunteers are needed to transfer boxes from incoming vehicles into semi-trailers. Many hands make the work easier! If you're physically unable to lift boxes, other people are needed to donate food for breakfast and lunch, and to serve and clean up.

Sign up at the display in the narthex for a morning or afternoon shift, or to help with refreshments.

April 18 S.A. Conference Event

9:00am-3:00pm at Trinity Lutheran Church on Flores. There are some very good workshops planned.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF COLLECTIONS

- Bring items to Zion by March 27, at noone
- If donating individual items for kits, bag your items.
- If donating a complete kit, please do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. Do not enclose any items in plastic bags. See notes for wrapping instructions under each type of kit.
- All items should be new and in good condition.
- More details at www.lwr.org/parish

Health Kits

- 1 hand towel, dark color recommended
- 1 washcloth, dark color recommended
- 1 bath-size (4-5 oz.) bar soap, any brand, original wrap
- 1 adult-size toothbrush, original package (no toothpaste)
- 1 comb, wide tooth preferred, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail file or nail clippers with file attached, remove package (no cardboard emery boards)
- 6 Band-Aids® (or similar brand), preferably 1/2" to 3/4"; secure together with a rubber band

Wrap smaller items in washcloth; wrap washcloth and remaining items in towel; tie securely with ribbons or yarn.

School Kits

- Padded or spiral notebooks of ruled paper approx. 8" X 10-1/2" totaling 150-200 sheets (if using 70-count notebooks, please include three); no loose-leaf paper
- 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 1 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 6 new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- 1 eraser approximately 2-1/2" long
- 12 sheets of construction paper in assorted colors (if necessary, fold in half to fit into the school kit bag)
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 1 sturdy cloth bag approximately 12" X 14" with cloth handles or drawstring closure

Remove excess packaging, pack in cloth bag. Fold handles over & secure with 2 large rubber bands or tie with yarn.

Layettes

- 2 shirts or Onesies® (or similar item)
- 2 gowns or sleepers (with or without feet)
- 2 receiving blankets
- 4 cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- 1 sweater or sweatshirt
- 2 washcloths
- 1 bath-size (4-5 oz.) gentle bar soap, in original wrapping
- 2 diaper pins

Wrap items in one of the receiving blankets and secure with diaper pins.

Quilts

LWR tied quilts are easy to make. Finished size should be 60 x 80". Do not use fabric prints with religious symbols, U.S. flags or military insignia. Recommended fabrics: pre-washed cotton, cotton blends, twill, corduroy, polyester knits, and donated upholstery and drapery samples (no fiberglass). LWR quilts are both precious and practical when babies and children can use their special gifts even as they grow older. Please donate full-size quilts (about 60" X 80") only.

Ruth Circle invites you to quilt-making every Saturday morning in the Fellowship Hall or FLC Room 101. See weekly calendar. To make a quilt on your own, detailed instructions and tips are at www.lwr.org/parish/quilts.asp

Sewing Kits

- 3 yards of 44" or 45" pre-washed cotton or cotton-blend fabric, or 4 yards if 36" (no knits or 100% polyester)
- 1 package of 10-15 needles for hand sewing (needles purchased in larger packages can be divided by inserting 12 needles into a swatch of felt or thick fabric)
- 1 spool of matching thread
- 1 card of 6 or more 1/2" to 5/8" matching buttons

Wrap sewing notions inside fabric and tie with string, yarn, or strip of fabric.

Fabric Yardage

- Fabric should be pre-washed cotton or cotton-poly blend (no knits or 100% polyester)
- Fabric should have no stains or holes
- Very important: fabric should be cut in 3-yard lengths if it is 44" or 45" wide, or 4-yard lengths if it is 36"

Fold each piece separately when packing

FRIENDS 'N FAITH

There's much more to Zion than Sunday mornings. Friends 'N Faith groups provide a set of ready-to-meet friends with interests similar to yours. Find out more from the people listed, or from the church office.

- **Sociable Singles (50+)**

Sociable Singles will get together on March 28 for an afternoon movie and then out to dinner. Contact: Pat Bangart, 695-6100
pbangart@mac.com or
D'Anna Johnson, 684-4194
deannajohn@sbcglobal.net

- **Young Married Couples**

Get together on the 3rd Friday of each month for Bible study, food and fellowship. Couples take turns hosting evenings in their homes. Contact Mollie Stavenger, 896-1562 or mkstavenger@gmail.com

- **ZPOP: Zion Parents withOUT Partners**

Events planned with the kids and for adults. Katja Ierome, 771-7866 or katja_amani@yahoo.com

- **Ladies Dinner & Movie**

1st Monday at 6:30pm at Applebee's, then a movie at the Silverado Theater. Jo Ann Meinert at jomeinert@earthlink.net.

- **Amiable Assemblers**

Put together bulletins every Friday at 1:00pm, and newsletters once a month. Dorothy Rode, 681-5997 and Sonja Shimkus, 277-0413.

- **Mah Jongg**

Learn and play this Asian tile game with Pat Bangart, 695-6100. Meets in members' homes.

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Meets on the 1st Monday afternoon at 1:00pm in the Baby Nursery. Dorothy Rode, 681-5997.

- **Game Groups**

Card & domino games, 1st Monday afternoon at 1:00, 4th Monday evening with early supper at 3:30 Golden Corral. Algine Perry, 695-4422.

- **Dinner Out**

Dinner Out is adults who enjoy dining out at local restaurants. Try a place you've never been before, new food, new culture. Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Contact the Cools (520-7910 kcool@sbc.rr.net) or the Chillstroms (771-7573 chillstrom@sbcglobal.net) if you have a restaurant suggestion.

Saturday, March 21 at the Barn Door Restaurant, 8400 N. New Braunfels Avenue (inside Loop 410). Meet at 6:30pm. RSVP to the Chillstroms this month.

This steakhouse has been a San Antonio favorite since the early 1950^s. While their specialty is steaks, they do have a wide assortment of other entrees.

SCHOOL OF MISSION

Class at Zion on March 14

The Gospel of Mark was originally experienced in public performance. How does this affect our understanding of Mark's message? Rev. Dr. Phil Ruge-Joes combines storytelling from Mark's Gospel with analysis of its impact on early Christians, to discern what it means to live out this good news in our own time.

Rev. Ruge-Jones is Associate Professor of Theology at Texas Lutheran University, and presides over the Network of Biblical Storytellers Seminar. He has written two books on the theology of the cross, *Cross in Tensions* and *The Word of the Cross in a World of Glory*.

This School of Mission event is at Zion on Saturday, March 14 in the Family Life Center. Cost is \$25, which includes lunch. Registration is being handled by MacArthur Park Lutheran Church. Phone 824-7135.

JUST 4 YOUTH!

Youth Director
 Travis Baker
 Church Office 688-3090 ext. 206
 tbaker@zionhelotes.org

SPRING BREAK

March 8: No Confirmation class, no Sunday Night Live, no Youth Choir, no Open Gym.
 March 15: Everything resumes on March 15
 4:30 Youth Choir & Pizza
 5:00 Open Gym
 6:00 Sunday Night Live (Grades 6-7 & High School)
 6:00 Confirmation as scheduled below (Grades 8-9)

ALL YOUTH

Luth Youth Volleyball

On Sunday, March 1, Zion invites youth from other San Antonio Lutheran churches to a volleyball tournament in our Family Life Center. Middle school has the gym from 1:00-3:00pm and High school will play from 3:00-5:00pm. Practice those spikes and get ready for a fun afternoon.

Open Gym/Sunday Night Live

There's plenty to do on Sunday nights at Zion. OPEN GYM starts up at 5:00pm. Basketball goals are set up, and there's plenty of room for everyone to run around or just hang out and get to know each other. At 6:00pm, SNL takes us into Bible study and fellowship time, plus some fun activities to help us grow our faith.

No Open Gym or SNL or Confirmation on March 8. Don't break anything on Spring Break.

HIGH SCHOOL

5th Annual Spring Arts Festival March 7 Fund Raiser for National Gathering Expenses

We will meet on Friday night (March 6) 6:00-8:00pm to help vendors set up. On Saturday morning, come to the FLC at 7:00am to assist vendors and work throughout the day. You will be getting your assignments soon, so be prepared for a day of work and fun.

Spiritual Retreat

This high school youth retreat begins Friday, March 20 at 7:00pm, and ends on Saturday at 5:00pm. We will take part in different experiences to deepen our faith, as well as take some time to hang out and relax.

The retreat begins with a pot-luck meal on Friday. Bring a favorite dish to share for the meal, along with snacks for the evening and movies. Be ready to have a great time learning, worshipping and enjoying each others' company.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE 2009

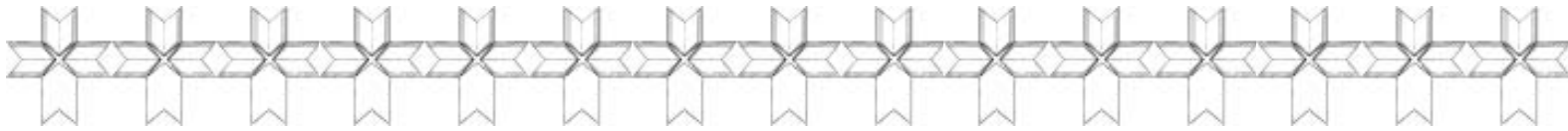
March

Morning Lesson (9:30) ----- Evening Lesson (6:00)

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| 1 Rich Man and Lazarus
8 Zaccheus
15 Last Supper
22 Road to Emmaus
29 Call of Saul | — Fellowship - no evening classes. Get together with your small groups and plan a fun evening!
— <i>Spring Break - no evening activities</i>
— Crucifixion and Resurrection
— Pentecost
— Overview of the Early Church
Family Night |
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April

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19 | Friday-Saturday Confirmation Retreat
<i>Easter Sunday, no Confirmation activities</i>
Saturday Evening Confirmation Banquet
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY 11:00 Service |
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Director of Christian Education

Karen Stein

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5TH GRADE COMMUNION CLASSES

Each year, fifth-graders receive instruction on the Sacrament of Holy Communion. For some children, this will be their first communion experience, but even if your child has been communing, this series will deepen their understanding of the sacrament.

The communion class is held during the 9:30 Sunday school time. The class meets in the Chapel (Church 1) on these dates:

- March 1
- March 15
- March 22
- March 29

The communion class will not meet on March 8 due to Spring Break but their regular Sunday school class will meet that day.

Class members will take holy communion together at the Maundy Thursday evening service on April 9 at 7:00pm.

All fifth-graders' families were mailed a letter in February outlining the class. Contact Karen Stein if you did not receive your letter.

ZAP Child & Family Ministry

SPRING FLING

On Sunday, March 15 Zion Action Pack will get together for a fun day of pinwheels and kite-making. At noon, we will gather for lunch and then begin our activity. Weather permitting we will attempt to fly our creations. Look for the sign-up in the narthex. If you have any questions, contact Karen Stein.

UPCOMING ZAP EVENTS

Easter Egg Hunt and Family Picnic on April 5. Look for details in the next newsletter.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

CROCODILE DOCK

Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light

It is time to start planning for our VBS. With the number of children who attend we will need about 150 volunteers to coordinate the activities for the children such as leading songs, reading stories, playing games and creating wonderful crafts. Also help will be needed to bake cookies, bandage skinned knees, and work in the kitchen and everything in between.

Our theme this year is Crocodile Dock, with bayou adventures around the corner. Join Jacque the Croc as he helps children see what God is doing in their lives everyday. The program has a variety of activities designed to teach bible stories to children through sight, sound and touch with a lot of fun thrown in.

Look for a display in the narthex to sign up soon, or contact Karen Stein.

NURSERY NEWS

Thanks to Laura Schlesinger for serving as our first nursery staff coordinator as well as the Toddler Room Care Giver. She began as the Nursery Coordinator in March of 2008 and has done a wonderful job keeping the nursery running smoothly. I appreciated all her help and wish her well as she relocates with her family to Victoria.

Welcome to Kate "Kat" Stockert as Zion's new staff nursery coordinator. Kate is new to this position but a familiar face as she has recently served as a care giver in the baby nursery. Her duties as coordinator will be to schedule nursery volunteers, maintain nursery supplies, and make sure the nursery is functioning smoothly and safely. Kat's has worked professionally in the Child Care so she brings experience to the position.

Christian
Assistance
Ministry
CORNER

by Pastor Jennifer
Gold

Christian Assistance Ministries (CAM) faces several challenges in 2009. With the economic uncertainties in our country, the continual financial woes placed on families, and the ever-increasing number of clients coming to CAM, the volunteers face an uphill battle that can only be conquered by increased support from us. Right now, CAM, is witnessing a 43% increase in clients being seen on a daily basis. This increase takes their new average to serving about 150 families per day!

How can we help? Here is a list of especially needed items right now. Zion collects these items on a continual basis in our mail room. As needed, volunteers from the church deliver them to CAM (behind University Methodist Church on DeZavala at Vance Jackson at DeZavala).

- Men's jeans/pants, especially sizes 30-35
- Shoes, especially tennis shoes and work boots
- Winter wear - gloves, jackets, sweaters
- Men's underwear, especially size 32/34
- Women's underwear, bras, and socks
- Men's T-shirts (size medium)
- Children's clothing, especially boys' pants/jeans
- Pots and pans
- Towels and sheets
- Travel size hygiene products
- Women's feminine protection products
- Baby formula (with iron) and
- Cereal, oatmeal
- Pasta & rice
- Canned vegetables and fruit
- Canned meat, chili & soup
- Lunchbox size fruit, pudding
- Peanut butter

To Volunteer,

contact Pastor JD Kyle, CAM's Volunteer Coordinator: 222-1553; jdkyle@cam-sa.org. You can also catch a ride with Pastor Jen on the third Thursday of each month, from 12:30-3:30. Three people from Zion went with her in February! Contact Pastor Jen if you're interested.

"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least these . . . you did it to me."
Matthew 25:40

CAM STAFF POSITION

CAM is looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant/Office Manager at the 110 McCullough office. Hours are 8:30am-3:00pm, Monday through Friday. Applications are available at www.christianassistanceministry.org.

HOSPITALIZED MEMBERS

- Joyce Deer
- Virginia Eichman
- Marjorie Friebel
- Dorothy Hagan
- Ray Hengst
- Shirley Hengst
- Margie Hutchings
- Mike Pickett
- Doris Schuchart
- Troy Spanton
- Nina Trimble

IN SYMPATHY

Our prayers and condolences go to:

- ✘ Ray Hengst upon the loss of his step-mother, Evelyn Hengst
- ✘ Tim Bohrer, upon the loss of his father, Robert Bohrer
- ✘ Vivian Hand upon the loss of her cousin, Glenda Rea Hill
- ✘ the Pinto family upon the loss of baby Matteo Pinto

May God's promise of the resurrection offer you comfort in this time of sorrow.

ADVENTURE TRAVEL

All are invited to join the Adventure Travel Group on these excursions.

Contact Shirley Jonas (680-6867 or sajonas@sbcglobal.net) about these trips:

Apr 24-25	Battle of Flower or Fiesta Flambeau Parade
May 2	Fredericksburg, Texas
June 11-15	Palo Duro Canyon, Santa Fe & Ruindoso NM
June 21-28	Mexican Riviera Cruise
July 25-Aug 1	Hawaiian Island Cruise
July 26-Aug 2	W. Caribbean Cruise
Aug 8-19	Alaska Cruise & Denali Land Tour
Sept 17	USS Lexington, Corpus Christi
Oct 3-10	New England Fall Foliage
Oct 16-17	Sam Moon Shopping
Oct 23-Nov 4	Greece, Turkey, Egypt and Jerusalem
Nov 8-13	Branson, Missouri
Nov 28-Dec 3	W Caribbean Cruise
Dec 4, 6, 11, 12, 13	Dinner Barges
Dec 5	Vespers
Dec 12	Salado Shopping & Lights 2010
Jan 10-17	E Caribbean (Bahamas)
June	Passion Play, Eureka Springs
Sept 4-19	Oberammergau, Austria, Switzerland

Contact Brigitte Koehler about these trips, 520-0736 or travel-with-brigitte@juno.com:

Mar 22-25	Wendover, NV
Apr 14-20	Branson in Spring
Apr 24-May 2	Copper Canyon Adventure
May 15-25	Niagara Falls, Toronto Bus
July 24-30	San Francisco & Tahoe
Aug 7-17	Amish Country Bus Tour
Sept 5-13	Rushmore & Black Hills of SD Bus Tour
Oct 9-16	New England Fall Foliage
Nov 3-9	Branson Christmas
Nov 27-Dec 4	Alpine Christmas
Nov 29-Dec 6	W. Caribbean Cruise 2010
Aug 24-Sept 4	Heart of Europe & Passion Play in Oberammergau
Sept 3-14	Heart of Europe & Passion Play in Oberammergau
Jan 10-17	Eastern Caribbean Cruise
June TBA	Passion Play, Eureka Springs
Sept 4-19	Austria, Switzerland & Oberammergau

INVESTMENT REPORT**•General Fund**

Giving Goal for Jan 09	\$69,338
Actual Contrib Jan 09	\$57,954
YTD Difference	-\$11,384
<i>2008 Jan Actual Contrib. \$64,166</i>	

•Building Fund

Jan 09 Income	\$14,859
BF cash on hand	\$53,438
FLC Loan Bal 1/31/09	\$704,157

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Year to date average 2009	599
YTD average 2008	656

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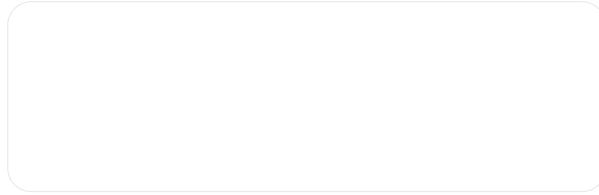
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